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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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| Application No.: | 10/572,576 | Examiner: | Wilson, Lee D. |
| Filing Date: | March 17, 2006 | Art Unit: | 3723 |
| First Inventor: | Keitaro Yonezawa | Customer No.: | 23364 |
| Attorney No.: | YONE3023/JJC/PMB | Confirm. No.: | 2852 |
| For: | POSITIONING APPARATUS AND CLAMPING SYSTEM HAVING THE SAME | | |

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 TO OFFICE ACTION
OF JULY 16, 2008**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the Office Action dated July 16, 2008 in the above application wherein claims 1-14 are finally rejected.

In view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.